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Title: DIVISIBLE PILE SLEEVE

1. Papers enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:

12 Page(s) of Specification
3 Page(s) of Claims
1 Page(s) of Abstract
7 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-10)

B. Other Papers Enclosed

☒ A Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet

2. Additional Papers to Follow Under Separate Cover

☒ A combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
☒ A Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document and a certified copy of:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application Number</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
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☐ An Information Disclosure Statement
☐ PTO Form-1449

☒ An Assignment Transmittal and Assignment of the invention to:

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4. Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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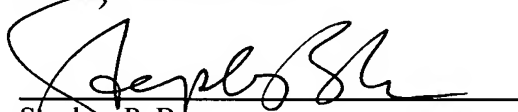
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